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In re Application of

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: PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is in response to applicants' petition filed October 12, 2004, to make the above-identified application special under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.102(d), based on inventions relating to HIV/AIDS and recombinant DNA. The \$130.00 petition fee as required by 37 CFR 1.17(h) for each petition was received.

Applicant has satisfied the provisions set forth in M.P.E.P. 708.02, X and 708.02, VII. Therefore, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded the examiner for action on the merits commensurate with this decision.

Should there be any questions with regard to this letter please contact Marianne C. Seidel by letter addressed to the Director, Technology Center 1600, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at 571-272-0584 or by facsimile transmission at the general Office facsimile number, (703) 872-9306.

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